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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

GANGA, INC., dba ROAR, a California  
Corporation,

Plaintiff,

v.

CULTURE JEANS dba PACIFIC  
JEANSWEAR, INC., a California  
corporation; MICHELLE CHIOU, an  
individual; JAVOLIS CORP., a  
California corporation; ROYAL  
INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION  
dba FASHION 101 LAS VEGAS, a  
Nevada corporation; and DOES 1-10,  
inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No.: CV11-04954 PSG (PJWx)

*Assigned for all discovery matters to the  
Honorable Patrick J. Walsh*

**~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER GRANTING  
PARTIES' STIPULATION FOR  
PROTECTIVE ORDER**

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Courtroom.: 880

1        Upon stipulation of the parties for a protection order pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P.  
 2 26(c) governing the disclosure during pretrial discovery and the subsequent handling of  
 3 trade secret information, proprietary information, other confidential commercial,  
 4 financial or personal information, and documents containing any such information  
 5 (hereinafter collectively referred to as "CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION"),

6 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

7 **1. INITIAL DESIGNATION.**

8        1.1 **Confidential Information.** In connection with discovery in this action, the  
 9 parties may designate materials, including electronic files, documents, things, testimony,  
 10 as "CONFIDENTIAL" and/or "CONFIDENTIAL-ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY"  
 11 (collectively hereinafter, "CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION") under the terms of this  
 12 Protective Order ("Order"). Confidential information is information that has not been  
 13 made public and which concerns or relates to the processes, operations, type or work, or  
 14 apparatus, or to the production, sales, shipments, purchases, transfers, identification of  
 15 customers and suppliers, inventories, blueprints, amount or source of any income, profits,  
 16 losses, or expenditures of any persons, firm, partnership, corporation or other  
 17 organization, the disclosure of which information may have the effect of causing harm to  
 18 the competitive position of the person, firm, partnership, corporation or to the  
 19 organization from which the information was obtained, and, to the extent not already  
 20 encompassed in the preceding definition, trade secrets as defined in California Civil  
 21 Code § 3426.1. By designating a document, thing, material, testimony or other  
 22 information derived therefrom as CONFIDENTIAL or CONFIDENTIAL-  
 23 ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY under the terms of this Order, the party making the  
 24 designation is certifying to the court that there is a good faith basis both in law and in fact  
 25 for the designation within the meaning of Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 26(g).  
 26 Material designated as CONFIDENTIAL or CONFIDENTIAL-ATTORNEYS' EYES  
 27 ONLY under the Order, the information contained therein, and any documents derived in  
 28 whole or in part from material designated as CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

1 (“CONFIDENTIAL MATERIAL”) shall only be used for the prosecution, defense or  
2 settlement of this action, and for no other purpose.

3       **1.2 Produced Documents.** A party producing documents that it believes  
4 constitute or contain CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION shall produce copies bearing a  
5 label designating such material CONFIDENTIAL or CONFIDENTIAL-ATTORNEYS’  
6 EYES ONLY. As used herein, the term “documents” includes all writings or other media  
7 on which information is recorded and other electronic files and tangible things subject to  
8 production under the *Federal Rules of Civil Procedure*. Any and all documents,  
9 information, or materials provided by a party for the purpose of settlement discussion  
10 prior to the entry of this Order by the Court shall be deemed Confidential Information;  
11 notwithstanding any other provisions of this Order, no such documents, information, or  
12 materials may be disclosed, shared, or otherwise used during any part of this case unless  
13 introduced again by the same providing party under this Order.

14       **1.3 Interrogatory Answers.** If a party answering an interrogatory believes in  
15 good faith under the criteria set forth in Paragraph 1.1 above that its answer contains  
16 CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION, it shall set forth its answer in a separate document  
17 that is produced and designated as CONFIDENTIAL or CONFIDENTIAL-  
18 ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY in the same manner as a produced document under  
19 subparagraph 1.2. The answers to interrogatories should make reference to the separately  
20 produced document containing the answer, but such document should not be attached to  
21 the interrogatories.

22       **1.4 Inspections of Documents.** In the event a party elects to produce files and  
23 records for inspection and the requesting party elects to inspect them, no designation of  
24 CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION need be made in advance of the inspection. For  
25 purposes of such inspection, all materials produced shall be considered as  
26 CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION unless the Parties agree otherwise. If the inspecting  
27 party selects specified documents to be copied, the producing party shall designate  
28 CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION in accordance with subparagraph 1.2 at the time the

1 copies are produced or within ten (10) days after the producing party is provided with  
2 copies of said documents.

3       **1.5 Deposition Transcripts.** Portions of testimony taken at a deposition or  
4 conference and any corresponding exhibits may be designated as CONFIDENTIAL or  
5 CONFIDENTIAL MATERIAL by making a statement to that effect on the record at the  
6 deposition or other proceeding. Arrangements shall be made with the court reporter  
7 transcribing such proceeding to separately bind such portions of the transcript containing  
8 information designated as CONFIDENTIAL or CONFIDENTIAL-ATTORNEYS' EYES  
9 ONLY and label such portions appropriately.

10       **1.6 Multi-page Documents.** A party may designate all pages of an integrated,  
11 multi-page document, including a deposition transcript, interrogatory answers and  
12 responses to document requests, as CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION by placing the  
13 label specified in subparagraph 1.1 on the first page of the document. If a party wishes to  
14 designate only certain portions of an integrated, multi-page document as  
15 CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION, it should designate such portions immediately  
16 below the label on the first page of the document and place the label specified in  
17 subparagraph 1.1 on each page of the document containing CONFIDENTIAL  
18 INFORMATION.

19       **1.7 List.** Within fourteen days after producing or designating CONFIDENTIAL  
20 INFORMATION, the producing or designating party shall provide a log identifying all  
21 such designated material. The log shall identify the documents or other material either by  
22 Bates stamp number(s) or by a description sufficiently detailed to make the document or  
23 material the basis for the claimed CONFIDENTIAL or CONFIDENTIAL-  
24 ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY designation. The log shall state with specificity all the  
25 asserted basis which support the need to identify designated materials as  
26 CONFIDENTIAL.

27       **1.8 Attorneys' Eyes Only Material.** As stated above, the parties may designate  
28 discovery material or testimony of a highly confidential and/or proprietary nature as

1 ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY or CONFIDENTIAL-ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY  
 2 ("Attorneys' Eyes Only Material"), in the manner described in paragraph 1 above.  
 3 Attorneys' Eyes Only Material, and the information contained therein, may be disclosed  
 4 only to the following: (i) the Court, pursuant to paragraph 3.5 hereof; (ii) mediators or  
 5 arbitrators agreed upon by the parties; (iii) outside counsel for any party (and their staff);  
 6 or (iv) other "qualified persons" listed in subparagraphs 3.1 herein. Individuals within  
 7 categories (iii) to (iv) shall pre-agree to be bound by the terms of the Protective Order.  
 8 Attorneys' Eyes Only Material shall not be disclosed to any party or to any officer, in-  
 9 house counsel, director or employee of any party unless agreed in writing by the parties  
 10 or ordered by the Court. ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY and CONFIDENTIAL  
 11 information shall collectively be referred to as Designated Material.

12       **1.9 Later Designations.** A party may also designate information disclosed at a  
 13 deposition as CONFIDENTIAL and/or ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY by notifying all  
 14 parties in writing, within twenty-one (21) days of receipt of the transcript, of the specific  
 15 pages and lines designated as such. Each party shall attach a copy of such written  
 16 statement to the face of each transcript in its possession, custody or control. For twenty-  
 17 one (21) days after receipt of the transcript, depositions shall be treated as  
 18 ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY, but after that period any portions not designated as  
 19 CONFIDENTIAL and/or ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY may be disclosed.

20       **2. DESIGNATIONS BY ANOTHER PARTY.** For fourteen (14) days after  
 21 receipt of documents from a third party, the documents shall be treated as ATTORNEYS'  
 22 EYES ONLY, but after that period any portions not designated as CONFIDENTIAL  
 23 and/or ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY may be disclosed. If a third party produces  
 24 documents that any party reasonably believes should be protected under this Order,  
 25 within fourteen (14) days of the production said party to this action shall advise all  
 26 counsel of its designation of such documents as CONFIDENTIAL and/or ATTORNEYS'  
 27 EYES ONLY and shall affix the corresponding stamp on such documents. The third  
 28 party shall be served with a copy of this Order with the Subpoena and such third party

1 itself may designate documents or testimony as Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only as  
 2 provided herein. All parties shall cooperate to effectuate affixing the necessary stamp.

### 3 **3. HANDLING PRIOR TO TRIAL.**

4 **3.1 Authorized Disclosures.** Discovery Material designated as  
 5 CONFIDENTIAL or information derived therefrom may be disclosed, shown, or made  
 6 available, or communicated in any way only to the following persons:

7 a. The parties and employees of the parties, but only to the extent necessary to  
 8 participate in, assist in and monitor the progress of this action and for no other purpose;

9 b. Qualified persons taking testimony involving Designated Material, and  
 10 necessary stenographic, videographic, and clerical personnel thereof;

11 c. Consultants or experts and their staff who are employed for the purposes of  
 12 this litigation, provided that the provisions of Paragraph 3.3 of this Order are complied  
 13 with prior to any disclosure of any Designated Material to such an expert or consultant;

14 d. The Court and the Court's staff pursuant to Paragraph 3.5 of this Order;

15 e. Attorneys for the parties to this litigation and/or the insurance carriers for the  
 16 parties to the litigation, including persons working solely in secretarial, clerical, and  
 17 paralegal capacities, and who are providing assistance to counsel in this action, and/or  
 18 claims representatives and/or claims adjusters, upon the condition that such Designated  
 19 Documents not be used in policy issuance determinations and be immediately destroyed  
 20 by the insurance carriers upon completion of the instant litigation;

21 f. Third-parties specifically retained to assist outside counsel in copying,  
 22 imaging, and/or coding of documents but for that purpose only, provided that all such  
 23 confidential documents are kept and maintained in a separate and secure place and that  
 24 the third party retained to copy, image, or code confidential documents is not currently  
 25 performing any services, either as an employee, consultant, or otherwise for any  
 26 competitor of either party to this action or for one having any interest adverse to either  
 27 party to this action;

28 g. The author, addressees and recipients of the documents or any person who



1 would have had access to such information by virtue of his /her employment; and,

2 h. Any other person as to whom the parties previously agree in writing.

3 Such disclosures are authorized only to the extent necessary to prosecute or defend  
4 this litigation. There will be no disclosure of CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION to any  
5 person or entity who is a manufacturer or retail competitor (or an employee of a  
6 manufacturer or retail competitor) of a party. There will be no disclosure of  
7 CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION to any distributor or supplier (or an employees of a  
8 distributor or supplier) of a party unless within 14 days of written notice by the party  
9 wishing disclosure, either the parties agree to the terms of disclosure or the party  
10 objecting to a proposed disclosure files a motion objecting to disclosure and the court  
11 orders otherwise.

12 3.2 **AEO Disclosure.** Material or documents designated as ATTORNEYS'  
13 EYES ONLY may be shown to a "qualified person" listed in subparagraphs 3.1(b)  
14 through (g).

15 3.3 **Procedure.** Except for persons described in Paragraph 3.1.d, 3.1.e or 3.1.f  
16 of this Order, all persons to whom Designated Material is disclosed or by whom  
17 Designated Material is used, including parties, non-parties, and their representatives, shall  
18 be informed of and agree to be bound by the terms of this Protective Order and shall take  
19 all necessary precautions to prevent any disclosure or use of Designated Material other  
20 than as authorized by this Order.

21 a. Prior to disclosing Designated Material to any person, other than persons  
22 described in Paragraph 3.1.d, 3.1.e or 3.1.f of this Order, the disclosing party shall obtain  
23 from such person a "Written Assurance" acknowledgement (Attachment "A"), that such  
24 person has reviewed a copy of this Order and any subsequent Protective Order issued by  
25 the Court, will comply with their terms in all respects, and will submit to the jurisdiction  
26 of this Court for adjudication of any dispute about whether such person has complied  
27 with the terms of this Order and any subsequent Protective Order issued by the Court. In  
28 addition, prior to dissemination by a receiving party, or its counsel of record, of any

1 Designated Material to any person, other than persons described in Paragraph 3.1d, 3.1.e  
2 or 3.1.f of this Order, the disseminating party shall obtain and maintain a copy of this  
3 acknowledgement evidencing that such person has executed the undertaking.

4 b. Individuals who are authorized to review Designated Material pursuant to  
5 this Stipulation shall hold the Designated Material and its contents in confidence and  
6 shall not divulge the Designated Material or its contents, either verbally or in writing,  
7 except as expressly permitted by this Stipulation, unless authorized to do so by a further  
8 Order of this Court or as specifically required by law.

9 3.4 **Unauthorized Disclosures.** In the event of disclosure of material  
10 designated as CONFIDENTIAL and/or ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY Material, other  
11 than as authorized in this Order, counsel for the party responsible for the disclosure shall  
12 notify all parties of all pertinent facts, and shall make every effort to prevent further  
13 disclosure, including retrieving disclosed materials and copies of such materials and  
14 having unauthorized persons to whom disclosure was made sign a "Written Assurance"  
15 acknowledgement (Attachment "A"). Upon written stipulation, in accordance with  
16 Local Rule 37, the Court may order such further and additional relief as it deems  
17 necessary and just.

18 3.5 **Court Filings** The parties acknowledge the procedures for filing under seal  
19 outlined by Local Rule 79-5.1. If Confidential Material, including any portion of a  
20 deposition transcript designated as CONFIDENTIAL and/or ATTORNEYS' EYES  
21 ONLY is included in any of the papers to be filed with the Court, the Confidential  
22 Material or any portions of the pleadings which contain Confidential Material shall be  
23 labeled "Confidential – Subject to Court Order," shall be lodged under seal, and shall be  
24 accompanied by a written application and proposed order to file the Confidential Material  
25 under seal to the judge to whom the papers are directed, until further order of the Court.  
26 Each submission to be lodged under seal is to be filed on a document by document basis,  
27 allowing the Court the opportunity to determine whether the standard for filing material  
28 under seal has been satisfied. The proposed order shall address both the sealing of the



1 application and the order itself. The original and judge's copy of the document shall be  
 2 sealed in separate envelopes with a copy of the title page attached to the front of each  
 3 envelope, with the authority for the under-seal filings, if authorized by statute or rule,  
 4 appearing on the title page of the proposed filing Applications and Orders to Seal, along  
 5 with the material to be placed under seal, shall not be electronically filed but shall be  
 6 filed manually in the manner prescribed by Local Rule 79-5. A Notice of Manual Filing  
 7 shall be electronically filed identifying materials being manually filed. The parties agree  
 8 that exhibits provided to any jury empanelled in this proceeding shall be provided  
 9 without the CONFIDENTIAL or ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY stamp.

10 **4. HANDLING DURING TRIAL.** CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION  
 11 and/or ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY which is subject to this order may be marked and  
 12 used as trial exhibits by either party, subject to terms and conditions as imposed by the  
 13 trial court upon application by the designating party.

14 **5. HANDLING AFTER TRIAL.** This Order shall survive the final  
 15 termination of this action and shall protect all retained materials that have remained  
 16 confidential through final termination of the case. Upon final termination of this case,  
 17 counsel for the parties may each retain one copy of the pleadings, transcripts of any  
 18 hearings or trials, transcripts of depositions, and exhibits from any hearings, trials or  
 19 depositions. Counsel shall destroy or assemble and return to each other materials  
 20 designated as confidential and all copies or summaries thereof.

21 **6. RESTRICTIONS.** Nothing herein shall impose any restriction on the use  
 22 or disclosure by a party of material: (1) obtained lawfully by a party hereto other than  
 23 through discovery in this action, from a person who, to the best of such party's  
 24 knowledge, was not at the time such materials were obtained by such party under a duty  
 25 (contractual or otherwise) to maintain such materials in confidence; (2) that is public  
 26 knowledge or became public knowledge after disclosure under this Order (other than  
 27 through an act or omission or a person receiving material under this Order).

28 **7. OTHER REQUESTS.** The Order shall be without prejudice to the right of

1 any party: (i) to request re-designation of material as Confidential, Attorneys' Eyes Only,  
2 or neither, or both; (ii) upon written stipulation, in accordance with Local Rule 37, to  
3 request the Court's ruling on whether a document or information is Confidential or  
4 Attorneys' Eyes Only Material, or whether its use should be restricted; (iii) to present a  
5 motion to the Court under FRCP 26(c) for a separate protective order as to any document  
6 or information, including restrictions differing from those specified herein. The Order  
7 shall not be deemed to prejudice the parties in any way in any future application for  
8 modification of this Order.

9 8. **CUSTODY.** Recipients of material under this Order shall maintain such  
10 material secured and shall exercise the same standard of care with respect to storage,  
11 custody, use and dissemination of the material as they exercise for their own proprietary  
12 information, but in no event shall the standard be less than that of a reasonable person.

13 This order shall be binding on the parties when signed regardless of whether and  
14 when this Court endorses this Order.

15 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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18 Dated: 2/9, 2012

By: 

Honorable Patrick J. Walsh

United States Magistrate Judge

EXHIBIT A  
WRITTEN ASSURANCE

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (print name), reside  
at \_\_\_\_\_, in the City of \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_. I am employed by and/or affiliated with \_\_\_\_\_, with a  
business address of \_\_\_\_\_, in the City of  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_. I have read and understand the Stipulated Protective  
Order filed in the case of *Ganga, Inc. v. Culture Jeans, dba Pacific Jeanswear, Inc., et  
al.*, United States District Court Case CV11-04954 PSG (PJWx). I agree to comply with  
and be bound by the provisions of the Stipulated Protective Order. I will not divulge  
Confidential Material and/or Attorneys' Eyes Only Material (as those terms are defined  
in the Stipulated Protective Order) to persons other than those specifically authorized by  
the Stipulated Protective Order. I will not copy or use, except solely for the purpose of  
this litigation, any information protected by the Stipulated Protective Order except as  
expressly permitted by the Court.

Executed at \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ (insert city and state),  
this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 201\_\_.

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Signature